

International Trade Tribunal (CITT) respecting Certain Solder Joint Pressure Pipe Fittings and Solder Joint Drainage, Waste and Vent Pipe Fittings, made of Cast Copper Alloy, Wrought Copper Alloy or Wrought Copper, Originating in or Exported from the United States of America (Secretariat File No. CDA-93-1904-11) affirmed the determination of the CITT. A copy of the complete panel decision is available from the NAFTA Secretariat.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James R. Holbein, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482-5438.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Chapter 19 of the United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement ("Agreement") establishes a mechanism to replace domestic judicial review of final determinations in antidumping and countervailing duty cases involving imports from the other country with review by independent binational panels. When a Request for Panel Review is filed, a panel is established to act in place of national courts to review expeditiously the final determination to determine whether it conforms with the antidumping or countervailing duty law of the country that made the determination.

Under Article 1904 of the Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1989, the Government of the United States and the Government of Canada established Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews ("Rules"). The Rules were published in the Federal Register on December 30, 1988 (53 FR 53212). The Rules were amended by Amendments to the Rules of Procedures for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews, published in the Federal Register on December 27, 1989 (54 FR 53165). A consolidated version of the amended Rules was published in the Federal Register on June 15, 1992 (57 FR 26698). The Rules were further amended and published in the Federal Register on February 8, 1994 (59 FR 5892). The panel review in this matter was conducted in accordance with the Rules, as amended.

PANEL DECISION: In the February 13, 1995 decision, the Binational Panel affirmed the investigating authority's determination respecting Certain Solder Joint Pressure Pipe Fittings and Solder Joint Drainage, Waste and Vent Pipe Fittings, made of Cast Copper Alloy, Wrought Copper Alloy or Wrought Copper, Originating in or Exported from the United States of America made by the Canadian International Trade Tribunal.

A Notice of Final Panel Action will be issued on the eleventh (11) day following the issuance of the decision (February 24, 1995).

Dated: February 21, 1995.
James R. Holbein,
United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.
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Minority Business Development Agency

Business Development Center Applications: Alaska

AGENCY: Minority Business Development Agency.
ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: On page 8636 in the issue dated Wednesday, February 15, 1995, third column, first paragraph, the award number is corrected to read, "10-10-95005-01".

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Steven Saho at (415) 744-3001.

11.800 Minority Business Development Center
(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance)
Dated: February 22, 1995
Frances B. Douglas,
Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Minority Business Development Agency.
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Business Development Center Applications: Portland, Oregon

AGENCY: Minority Business Development Agency, Commerce.
ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: On page 8633 in the issue dated Wednesday, February 15, 1995, third column, second paragraph, the award number is corrected to read, "10-10-95013-01".

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Steven Saho at (415) 744-3001.

11.800 Minority Business Development Center
(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance)
Dated: February 22, 1995.
Frances B. Douglas,
Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Minority Business Development Agency.
[FR Doc. 95-4833 Filed 2-24-95; 8:45 am]
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Business Development Center Applications: Seattle, WA

AGENCY: Minority Business Development Agency.

ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: On page 8641 in the issue dated Wednesday, February 15, 1995, second column, second paragraph, the award number is corrected to read, "10-10-95014-01".

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Steven Saho at (415) 744-3001.

11.800 Minority Business Development Center
(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance)
Dated: February 22, 1995

Frances B. Douglas,
Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Minority Business Development Agency.
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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No. 950210047-5047-01; I.D. 011195B]

RIN 0648-XX08

Atlantic Monkfish Fishery; Control Date

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of control date for entry into the Atlantic monkfish fishery.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that anyone entering the Atlantic monkfish fishery after February 27, 1995 (control date), will not be assured of future access to the Atlantic monkfish resource in Federal waters if a management regime is developed and implemented under the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson Act) that limits the number of participants in the fishery. This announcement is intended to promote awareness of potential eligibility criteria for future access to the Atlantic monkfish resource and to discourage new entries into this fishery based on economic speculation, while the New England and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Councils (Councils) contemplate whether and how access to the Atlantic monkfish fishery should be controlled. The potential eligibility criteria may be based on historical participation, defined as any number of trips having any documented amount of monkfish landings. This announcement, therefore, gives the public notice that they should locate and preserve records that substantiate and verify their participation in the monkfish fishery.
EFFECTIVE DATE: February 27, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Douglas G. Marshall, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council, 617-231-0422, David R. Keifer, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 302-674-2331 or Paul H. Jones, Fishery Policy Analyst, NMFS Northeast Regional Office, 508-281-9273.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

Monkfish (*Lophius americanus*, also known as goosefish or anglerfish) are widely distributed in the northwest Atlantic Ocean from the northern Gulf of St. Lawrence to Cape Hatteras, NC. This species is found from the tideline to depths as great as 840 m (2,756 ft). They reach 48 cm (19 in) in length by age 4, when most monkfish are mature. The maximum observed age has been 9 and 11 years for males and females, respectively.

Landings of monkfish tails have increased markedly since the mid-1970's, from 600 metric tons (mt) in 1975 to 2,300 mt in 1980 and then to 4,300 mt in 1989. Landings for 1993 (tails) totalled 6,600 mt; total live weight landed including tails, livers, and other body parts and monkfish landed round totalled 18,600 mt. This continued increase reflects both increased effort in other fisheries (primarily for groundfish and sea scallops) in which monkfish are taken as bycatch and increasing levels of directed effort towards this species. Since 1990, increased directed effort has occurred from vessels employing trawls, scallop dredges and sink gillnets, generally in deeper waters, and this component of the fishery now accounts for nearly 30 percent of the total landings. Interest in fishing for monkfish is being fueled by increasing value of monkfish livers and increasing market acceptance of small tails. This trend is likely to continue as fishermen seek alternatives to the traditional scallop and groundfish fisheries, which are severely depleted and intensively regulated.

Developing markets for monkfish tails and livers allowed fishermen to fish more profitably and land increasingly smaller monkfish over the past several years. Because of this trend, several Atlantic coast states recently implemented minimum fish size requirements for monkfish. Monkfish liver prices are now at or near all-time highs, and some dealers have reportedly been unable to fill market demand for small tails, since many coastal states have imposed minimum size limits. Landings of excessively small monkfish with tails as small as 9 inches (22.9 cm),

and occasionally as small as 5 inches (12.7 cm), are of major concern.

Abundance, as measured by research vessel surveys, has declined to near record lows, and average sizes of monkfish in commercial landings and in research vessel surveys have declined to record lows in recent years. A steady decline in proportion of mature fish in the population has also been noted (to 25% or less in the Gulf of Maine, the lowest observed percentage in the time series) with potential adverse effects on future recruitment.

Recent increases in landings of monkfish to record high levels, declines in abundance and biomass to at or near record lows, and the declining proportion of mature individuals in the population all indicate that this resource is overfished and in a deteriorating condition; and if current fishery trends continue, recovery of this resource will become increasingly problematical. Guidelines Relating to Intent of the Councils in Establishing a Control Date for the Management of Monkfish

1. The Councils are currently considering that, in the event that a system of assigning fishing rights is developed as part of an FMP for monkfish, such assignments shall be based upon historical levels of participation in the fishery prior to February 27, 1995, with the following considerations for recent investment.

2. The current intent of the Councils is that newly constructed vessels will be given consideration in the assignment of fishing rights if they were under construction as of February 27, 1995, as evidenced by written construction contracts.

3. The public is further notified that it is the current intent of the Councils that historical participation will transfer with a vessel, for transfers made after February 27, 1995, unless such transfers are accompanied by a written document indicating the agreement of both buyer and seller that any future fishing rights applicable to that vessel are not being transferred via sale, lease, or any other means of conveyance. Any such transfers or explicit retention of fishing rights may only be executed with any and all fishing rights presently assigned to said vessel or which may be assigned based on that vessel's prior participation in any other fishery. This potential restriction may mean, for example, that no transfers or explicit retention of monkfish fishing rights may be made without also transferring or retaining the vessel's or the former owner's right to fish for groundfish, scallops, or another regulated species.

If a vessel's fishing rights were transferred to a new owner prior to February 27, 1995, the new owner may have the option of excluding the previous owner's history of participation when qualifying for a limited access fishery. If a vessel is transferred with its fishing rights to a new owner after February 27, 1995, the entire history of fishing for monkfish may be required when determining eligibility.

4. The Councils' current intent is that if fishing rights are explicitly retained by a previous owner as described above, or a qualifying vessel is lost or destroyed, the owner of said vessel or its rights may qualify for a limited access fishery for monkfish without having title to a replacement vessel. Upgrades or replacements of vessels after February 27, 1995 that are inconsistent with the Multispecies, Scallop, or Summer Flounder Fishery Management Plans may disqualify the vessel from the limited access monkfish fishery.

5. Further, the Councils currently intend that any system of assigning fishing rights may consider the following concerns relative to individuals or corporations that have sold a vessel within the time that may be chosen to determine historical fishing rights:

a. Extent of past participation in the Atlantic monkfish fishery;

b. Demonstration of intent prior to February 27, 1995 to re-enter the Atlantic monkfish fishery with a different vessel.

c. Requirement that a vessel's history may be applied such that no more than one vessel may rely on that history to qualify for the limited access fishery.

The Councils intend to address whether and how to limit entry of commercial vessels into this fishery in a Monkfish FMP. The Councils' intent in making this announcement is to discourage speculative entry into the commercial monkfish fishery while potential management regimes to control access into the fishery are discussed and possibly developed by the Council. The control date will help to distinguish bona fide established fishermen from speculative entrants to the fishery. Although fishermen are notified that entering the fishery after the control date will not assure them of future access to the monkfish resource on the grounds of previous participation, additional and/or other qualifying criteria also may be applied.

The Councils may choose different and variably weighted methods to qualify fishermen based on the type and length of participation in the fishery or on the quantity of landings. The

qualification criteria may be structured such that vessels fishing for other species and having incidental catches of monkfish would be able to continue to do so without qualifying for a limited access permit.

This notice hereby establishes February 27, 1995 for potential use in determining historical or traditional participation in a monkfish fishery. This action does not commit the Councils to develop any particular management regime or to use any specific criteria for determining entry to the fishery. The Councils may choose a different control date, or may choose a management program that does not make use of such a date. The Councils may choose also to take no further action to control entry or access to the fishery. Any action by the Councils will be taken pursuant to the requirement for FMP development established under the Magnuson Act.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: February 17, 1995.

Gary Matlock,

Program Management Officer, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance; Meeting

AGENCY: Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Education.

ACTION: Notice of upcoming meeting; Amendment.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice that was published in the Federal Register issue of Thursday, February 9, 1995, 60 FR 7759. This amended notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming partially closed meeting of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance.

DATES AND TIMES: February 27, 1995, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 5:00 p.m.; and February 28, 1995, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 12:00 noon, but closed from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Dupont Plaza Hotel, 1500 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Brian K. Fitzgerald, Staff Director, Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Portals Building, 1280 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Suite 601, Washington, D.C. 20202-7582, (202) 708-7439.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Committee will meet in Washington, D.C. on February 27, 1995, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and on February 28, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The meeting will be closed to the public on February 28, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. to discuss personnel matters. The ensuing discussions will relate to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and will disclose information of a personal nature when disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy if conducted in open session. Such matters are protected by exemptions (2) and (6) of Section 552(b)(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

A summary of the activities at the closed session and related matters which are informative to the public consistent with the policy of Title 5 U.S.C. 552(b) will be available to the public within fourteen days of the meeting.

Records are kept of all Committee proceedings, and are available for public inspection at the Office of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Portals Building, 1280 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Suite 601, Washington, D.C. from the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., weekdays, except Federal holidays.

Dated: February 17, 1995.

Brian K. Fitzgerald,

Staff Director, Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, as amended), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting:

Name: Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel.

Date and Time: Monday, March 6, 1995, 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 7, 1995, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Place: Mark Center Raddison Hotel, 5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, Virginia, Telephone: 703-845-1010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Russell Eaton, Designated Federal Official, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, Telephone: (202) 586-1506.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose: The Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel (HTAP) will advise the Secretary of Energy who has the overall management responsibility for carrying out the programs under the Matsunaga Hydrogen Research, Development, and Demonstration Program Act of 1990, Public Law 101-566. The Panel will review and make any necessary recommendations to the Secretary on the following items: (1) the implementation and conduct of programs required by the Act, (2) the economic, technological, and environmental consequences of the deployment of hydrogen production and use systems, and (3) the contents of the comprehensive 5-year program required by the Act.

Tentative Agenda

Monday 6, 1995

9:00 a.m.—Introductions and Opening
Comments: P. Takahashi
9:10 a.m.—Hydrogen Programs within OUT: K. Rabago
9:30 a.m.—Hydrogen Programs within OTT: T. Gross
9:50 a.m.—Report from the U.S. DOE: R. Eaton
10:10 a.m.—Report on Hydrogen Program: N. Rossmeissl
10:30 a.m.—Report on NREL Program: C. Gregoire
10:45 a.m.—Break
11:00 a.m.—International Activities: R. Eaton
11:15 a.m.—Report on Congressional Activities: Rep. R. Walker M. Wiggins
12:00 p.m.—Lunch
1:00 p.m.—Industry/Public Outreach: D. Nahmias
1:30 p.m.—Status Reports from HTAP Committees
5:30 p.m.—Wrap-up: P. Takahashi

Tuesday, March 7, 1995

9:00 a.m.—Future Plans of HTAP: Committee Chairmen
10:00 a.m.—Roundtable Discussion: Panel
11:00 a.m.—Public Comments: All

Public Participation

The meeting is open to the public. The Chairman of the HTAP is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Any member of the public who wishes to make an oral statement pertaining to agenda items should contact the Designated Federal Official at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received before 5 p.m. (E.S.T.) Monday, March 6, 1995, and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation during the public comment period. It is requested that oral presenters provide